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Applicants' records show that these information disclosure statements complied with 37 CFR 1.97. Thus, we respectfully request that the examiner initial and return these forms as soon as possible. Note, applicants must pay the issue fee by February 14, 2005, so the examiner's prompt attention to this matter would be appreciated.

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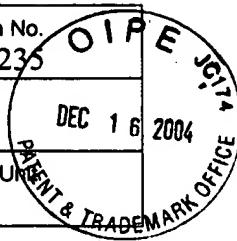
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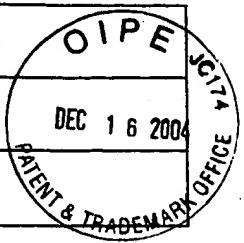
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